## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1085 By Ketron

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Mrs. Delores
Blankenship of Mt. Pleasant High School on her
selection as a local and state-wide Building
Level Distinguished Educator for the 2003-2004
school year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Delores Blankenship is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Blankenship has been selected Building Level Distinguished Educator for the 2003-2004 school year at Mt. Pleasant High School, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious award is conferred by the Maury County Education
Association (MCEA); recipients are selected by their fellow teachers at each school in
recognition and appreciation of the honoree's contributions to his or her school, community, and
the MCEA at the school building level; and

WHEREAS, following her selection as a Distinguished Educator, Delores Blankenship was nominated to represent the Maury County Education Association on the state-wide level; her selection as one of nine recipients of the 2004 Tennessee Education Association Distinguished Educator award is a testimony to the dedication, quality, and honesty Mrs. Blankenship continues to offer to her students; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Blankenship has served with the utmost acumen and alacrity throughout her outstanding tenure at Mt. Pleasant High School; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Blankenship is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, she sets an excellent example for her students, as she is very involved in her community; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Blankenship truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Delores Blankenship truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Mrs. Delores Blankenship of Mt. Pleasant High School on being selected MCEA Building Level Distinguished Educator and TEA Distinguished Educator for the 2003-2004 school year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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